

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 50

RESOLUTION CHAPTER 87

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 50—Relative to Disneyland.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SCR 50, Dunn. Fiftieth anniversary of Disneyland.

This measure would congratulate Disneyland and the Walt Disney Company on the 50th anniversary of Disneyland, and declare July 17, 2005, as Disneyland Day in California.

WHEREAS, Disneyland first opened its doors on July 17, 1955, in Anaheim, California; and

WHEREAS, When Walt Disney formally dedicated Disneyland on July 17, 1955, he stated that he hoped the park would be "...a source of joy and inspiration to all the world"; and

WHEREAS, The Disneyland Resort has grown from a single theme park with one hotel into a full-scale resort with two world-class theme parks, 2,200 hotel rooms, and 40 restaurant and retail locations; and

WHEREAS, The Disneyland Resort is California's number one tourist destination; and

WHEREAS, The Disneyland Resort is the leading employer in Orange County, directly employing 20,000 individuals and supporting an additional 45,700 jobs; and

WHEREAS, The Disneyland Resort generates \$3.6 billion annually to the Southern California economy; and

WHEREAS, The Disneyland Resort and charitable giving by its cast members provides millions of dollars in cash, in-kind services, and volunteer services to hundreds of nonprofit groups, touching the lives of thousands of California residents; and

WHEREAS, The success of Disneyland launched an industry and sparked an empire of fun that now spans the globe, attracting 200 million visitors on three continents every year and growing; and

WHEREAS, The creation of Disneyland was, perhaps, the single greatest family entertainment achievement of the 20th century, introducing an entirely new concept in outdoor entertainment and establishing an icon of fun and magic known around the world; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate of the State of California, the Assembly thereof concurring, That the Legislature of the State of California congratulates Disneyland and the Walt Disney Company on the 50th anniversary of Disneyland, "the happiest place on earth," and declares July 17, 2005, as Disneyland Day in California; and be it further

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Senate transmit copies of this resolution to the author for appropriate distribution.